

"This bill of \_\_\_\_\_ shall entitle the bearer hereof to receive gold or silver, at the rate of four shillings and six-pence sterling per dollar for the said bill, according to a resolve of the convention of Maryland, held at the city of Annapolis, the 14th day of August, 1776."

That the said bills of credit be struck on the plates and printed with the devices and marks prepared for the last emission, and that the number and denomination of the said bills shall be the following and no other, to wit: sixteen thousand bills of eight dollars each, sixteen thousand bills of six dollars each, sixteen thousand bills of four dollars each, sixteen thousand bills of two dollars and two third parts of a dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of two dollars each, thirty-two thousand bills of one dollar and one third part of a dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of one dollar each, thirty-two thousand bills of two third parts of a dollar each, forty thousand bills of half a dollar each, forty thousand bills of one third part of a dollar each, forty thousand bills of one sixth part of a dollar each, and forty thousand bills of one ninth part of a dollar each.

That the council of safety purchase and provide a sufficient quantity of proper paper, on which to print and strike the said bills of credit, and that the said council of safety do forthwith cause the said bills of credit to be printed and struck, under the direction of two discreet and sober freemen of this state, to be by them appointed to that service, who shall be called supervisors.

That the said supervisors shall use the best of their care and diligence that the said bills, according to their respective denominations aforesaid, and according to the manner and form aforesaid, be forthwith printed and struck, and that the number of any of the denominations thereof be not exceeded, nor any clandestine or fraudulent practice be used by the printer, his apprentices, servants and others concerned in the printing or striking thereof.

That the printer, and all his apprentices and servants whom he shall employ in the said work, before he or they enter upon the same, take before some justice of the peace, in the presence of one or both of the supervisors, the following oath, to wit:

"I, A. B, do swear, that I will truly, faithfully and honestly perform the duty of printer of the bills of credit directed to be printed by a resolve of the convention of Maryland, held at the city of Annapolis the 14th day of August, seventeen hundred and seventy six, and that I will not advisedly print or stamp a greater number of blank bills of credit than in that resolve mentioned, nor of any other denomination than therein expressed, except such sheets as